(c) The issues raised in the complains were looked into and it was found that me charges levelled could not be substantiated.

Purchase of Westland helicopters for ONGC

2452. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA; DR. LOKESH CHANDRA;

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT bo pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to purchase Westland WG-30 helicopters for the use of O.N.G.C, and OIL;

(b) if so, how many helicopters are proposed to be purchased;

(c) whelher the offshore platforms in Bombay High where these helicopters are to be used need strengthening to accommodate the heavy weight of thes© helicopters;

(d) whether the purchase of the heli copters wil! be economical or hiring them will b> economical; and

te) whether it is a fact that most of the national and private oil companies in the world hire helicopters for off-shore operaturns?

IHE MINISTER OF STATE TN THE DEPARTMENT DE CIVIE AVIATION ("SHRI JAGDISH fYTLBH). (.ij $_a$nd (b) "tes, Sir. Governm-nt have decided to purchase 21 Westland helicopters to cater to ;iuiemen,t.$_s$ of the Petroleum Sector and for scheduled/non-scheduled services be provided by the Helicopter Corporation *>f Indi;'.

(C) Westlund IT:',-o;:le\ t Itt acquired die Helicopter Corporation of India are pable of landing/taking off from all type< of helipads in off-shore installations *wtih* requisite complement of crew and of rtecessarj equipmen

Che purchase of helicopters will be economical since cut of the total package cost of £ 70 mi'-lions, the U.K. Government is providing aid amounting to £ 65 million. The Helicopter Corporation of India is expected to offer services at int.rnationally competitive rates.

(e)Many oil companies do meet their requirements of off-shore operations by charter-hire of helicopters.

Introduction of selection grade in the National Gallery of Modern Art

2453. SHRI S. W. DHABE: SHRI F. M. KHAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fac; that the National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi has not implemented the guidelines re garding introduction of 20 percent selec tion grade posts for Group 'D' staff;

(d> if so, the names of Group 'D' employees who have not given any promotion even after completing 25 years of service; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to ensure for introduction of selection grade posts therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Second Hooghly Bridge

@2453-A. SHRI NEPALDEV BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Chief Minister of West Bengal has written to him 011 the works of the Second Hooghly Bridge recenly;

(b) if so. what are Ihe details 'hereof; and

(c) what is the Government's response thereto?

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